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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

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1. (Currently amended) Compounds A compound of the general formula (II)

in which R₁, R₂ either are the same or different and represent:

- [[●]] hydrogen, F, Cl, Br, I, CN, NC, OH, SH, NO₂, SO₃H, NH₂, CF₃[[,]];
- [[\bullet]] substituted or unsubstituted straight or branched lower (C₁-C₆) alkyl or alkoxy; or
- [[•]] an amino group substituted by one or more substituted or unsubstituted straight or branched lower (C₁-C₆) alkyl or alkyl carbonyl or alkoxy carbonyl group; or
- [[•]] a COOH, COO alkyl, CONH, CON alkyl <u>CONH₂, CON(alkyl)₂</u> group; or
- [[●]] -(CH₂)_n-Cl, -(CH₂)_n-Br, -(CH₂)_n-OH, -(CH₂)_n-COOH, -(CH₂)_n-CN, -(CH₂)_n-NC [[,]]-in which;

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[[\bullet]] R₁-R₂ may together form -CH=CH-CH=CH-, -O-(CH₂)_n-O-, with n=1 to 3;

 R_3 is OCH₃ or the same as R_1 , or

 R_2 - R_3 can jointly form[[:]] -O-(CH₂)_n-O-, with [[N]] \underline{n} =1 to 3;

R₄, R₅[[:]] are both each independently hydrogen, or, alternatively, any combination of hydrogen or an alkyl, alkenyl, alkinyl[[,]]; or

- [[\bullet]] S-R₈, wherein R₈ is hydrogen, or a substituted or unsubstituted straight or branched lower (C₁-C₁₀) alkyl group;
 - [[●]] SO-R₈, SO₂R₈;
 - [[•]] OH, or OH substituted for H with an O-protective group;
 - [[•]] O-CS-N-R₈; (thiourethanes)
 - [$[\bullet]$] O-CO-N-R₉, wherein R₉ has the following meaning:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} H \\ \hline \\ CH_3 \end{array}$$

[[•]] O-CO-R₈[[,]]; including esters with a substitution pattern of amino acids as follows

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$$-0$$
 S
 S
 CH_3
 NH
 t -BOC

[[•]] R_4 , R_5 may jointly be hydrazone (=N-NH- R_{10} , =N-N (R_{10} , R_{11}), eximes (=N-O- R_{11}) =N-NH- R_{10} , =N-NR₁₀ R_{11} , or =N-O- R_{11} , wherein R_{10} is hydrogen, a substituted or unsubstituted straight or branched lower (C_1 - C_6) alkyl or alkyl carbonyl or alkyl carbonyloxy group as well as a sulfonic acid group or - SO_3H , and R_{11} is hydrogen, a substituted or unsubstituted straight or branched lower (C_1 - C_6) alkyl or alkyl carbonyl group, as well as a sulfonic acid group or - SO_3H ;

;

[[\bullet]] R_4 and R_5 may also be:

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wherein [[Y₁, Y₂=]] $\underline{Y_1}$ is O, S, NH or N-R₁₀ and $\underline{Y_2}$ is -OH, -SH, -NH₂ or - NHR₁₀; (excess valences in each case are -H)

[[•]] wherein, in the event that R₄ is not H, R₅ can also be OH and, in the event that R₅ is not H, R₄ can also be OH.

 G_1 , $G_2[[:]]$ jointly or separately have the meaning:

[[• -C(R₁₃, R₁₄)-]] -C(R₁₃R₁₄)-, wherein R₁₃, R₁₄ can be are each independently hydrogen, OH, a substituted or unsubstituted straight or branched lower alkyl, aryl, alkoxy or aryloxy group or jointly an alkyl spiro group (C₃ to C₄ spiro ring).;

[[ullet]] G_1 and G_2 may jointly represent

with m=1 to 7:

 G_1 and G_2 may jointly represent a C_3 to C_7 alkyl spiro ring group;

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 $G_3[[:]]$ represents CH_2 or $=CO_3$

 R_6 represents a group $-(G_4)_p$ - $(G_5)_q$ - G_6 with p, q = 0-1, in which G_4 satisfies the following definition:

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[[•]] -(CH₂)_s-, -C(R₁₅, R₁₆) (CH₂)_s-, with R = 1 to 6 -C(R₁₅, R₁₆)-(CH₂)_s-, with s = 1 to 6 and R₁₅, R₁₆ [[=]] are each independently hydrogen, or substituted or unsubstituted straight or branched lower alkyl, cycloalkyl, or aryl groups;

[[
$$\bullet$$
]] -O- or -NR₁₅;

[[
$$\bullet$$
]] CH CH CH (CH₂) t

wherein s = 1-4, and t = 0-4;

, that is an ortho, meta or para disubstituted aromatic ; or

$$[[\bullet]] \qquad \overbrace{\hspace{1cm}}^{G_7}$$

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wherein $G_7 = NR_{15}$, O or S[[,]];

 G_5 can be identical with or different from G_4 and, in the event that [[P]] $\underline{p} = 1$, additionally represents -S-[[,]];

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G₆ fulfills the following definition:

$$\begin{bmatrix} [\bullet] \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{matrix} R_{17} & R_{18} \\ N & G_8 \\ R_{19} & R_{20} \end{matrix}$$

wherein

[[•]] R_{17} , R_{18} , R_{19} and R_{20} individually or jointly are the same or different, and are hydrogen, substituted or unsubstituted straight or branched lower alkyl, cycloalkyl or aryl groups, where R_{17} and R_{18} and R_{19} and R_{20} can jointly form a cycloalkyl group (with a ring size of 3-8);

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$$\bullet$$
]] G_8 [[=]] \underline{is} O, S, NH, NR_{21} -(CH₂)_n-[[,]];

[[•]] R₂₁ [[=]] <u>is</u> CHO[[,]]; COOR₁₇[[,]]; <u>or</u> a heteroaryl group <u>selected from</u> the group consisting of 2-pyridyl, 4-pyridyl, and 2-pyrimidinyl, which is unsubstituted or substituted identically or differently by one or several F, Cl, Br, I, NO₂, OH, alkyl, alkyloxy, CN, NC or CF₃, CHO, COOH, COO alkyl, SO₃H, SH or S-alkyl groups[[,]]; or [[•]] a methyl group, which is substituted by 1-3 phenyl groups, which are unsubstituted or substituted identically or differently by one or more F, Cl, Br, I, NO₂, NH₂, alkyl, alkyloxy, CN, NC or CF₃ groups[[,]];

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wherein [[G_8]] $\underline{G}_{\underline{6}}$ can also be:

(CH₂)s
$$R_{17}$$
 (CH₂)n G_8 G_8

$$\begin{bmatrix}
(CH_2)n \\
N \\
(CH_2)m
\end{bmatrix}$$

$$(CH_2)m \\
(CH_2)s$$

$$[[\bullet]] \qquad \qquad \underbrace{ (CH_2)s}_{N} \qquad \underbrace{ R_{17}}_{R_{18}}$$

[[\bullet]] -CHO, COOR₁₇, or -CONR₁₇;

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[[•]] a substituted or unsubstituted straight or branched lower alkyl, alkenyl, alkinyl, cycloalkyl or aryl groups[[,]]; or

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- [[•]] -O-R₁₇, -NR₁₇R₁₈ phthalamido, -CN or -NC;

 R₂, is identical with R₆ or represents -O-⁽⁾ (N-oxide) or a free electron pair (e-pair), wherein R₆ and R₂ can also form a common ring, 3 to 8 carbon atoms in size and
- [[•]] X exists only if, and represents an ion of a pharmacologically unstable inorganic or organic acid, where R₅ and R₆ are present and the nitrogen atom thus carries a positive charge; and
- [[\bullet]] Z [[=]] N or \underline{is} N^+ in the event that R_4 and R_7 , are present jointly and R_7 is not O[[$^-$]].[[--]]

Claims 2 to 7 (Canceled).

- 8. (New) A compound of claim 1, wherein R₃ is OCH₃.
- 9. (New) A composition comprising a compound of claim 1 in admixture with a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.
- 10. (New) A method for treating Alzheimer's disease comprising administering to a human patient in need thereof a pharmaceutically acceptable amount of a compound of claim 1.